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BUREAU OF THE CENSUS,
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SIR:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Part II of a special report on religious bodies. This presents separately the statistics for the several sects or denominations, arranged in alphabetical order and prefaced in each case with a descriptive statement covering the history, doctrine, polity, and work or general activities of the denominations. Part I, previously transmitted, gave a summary of the results and the general tables.

The descriptive statements were prepared, wherever feasible, by competent persons in the denominations, who were appointed by the bureau as special agents for this purpose. The manuscripts received from these persons were edited in the office in order to secure general uniformity of presentation, and the completed statement was submitted to the author, or if that was impracticable, to some other competent authority. In a few instances statements were prepared in the office from such sources as were available.

As explained in the letter transmitting Part I of this report, the statistics herewith compiled and published were obtained partly by correspondence with church officials and organizations and partly by the employment of special agents. This work was conducted under the supervision of Mr. William C. Hunt, chief statistician for population in this bureau; and in connection with the preparation of Part II of the report the services rendered by Dr. Edwin M. Bliss, expert special agent of the Bureau of the Census, merit special recognition.

Very respectfully,



Director of the Census.

Hon. CHARLES NAGEL,
Secretary of Commerce and Labor.